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To mark his appreciation of the faithfulness of the volunteers, Capt. Wastie treated his company to a dinner at the Langham, on their return from Winnipeg on Saturday last. As the up train neared the depot there was a large crowd of friends and relatives ready for the usual greetings on such

After Mr. Cliffe had replied for "The Press," Auld Lang Syne and God Save the Queen were sung in a hearty manner that showed the entire satisfaction of the company, and the general desire to be ready for emergency should one ever occur in the future.

COLONGE, July 24.—Two houses here, tenanted by sixteen families, collapsed today. Three dead bodies and seventeen persons, more or less seriously injured, have been removed from the ruins. More remain beneath the debris. The police and fire brigades are helping to extricate the victims.

BRENDA

The Dominion Day celebration was a great success, and now we are going into politics. There was a Conservative gathering at Minnedosa last Saturday. Another Conservative meeting will be held at our residence on Wednesday. Truly the Conservatives have a big job, if they shoulder all Mr. Norquay's sins of omission and commission.

We have had a great deal of rain, but with dry weather we may expect an enormous yield. Having is now commenced and is being pushed vigorously.

The promise of the Manitoba Southwestern Railway being pushed ahead this season has raised the drooping spirits of many. There is quite a rush of land seekers west to the Anthers, that fine district will soon all be taken up.

Mr. Gilchrist, a student from Toronto college, is supplying the spiritual wants of our Presbyterian settlers, and is giving great satisfaction.

The sad news of the death of Colonel Williams cast a gloom over the Norries. He was well known here being a large property holder on the Anthers.

Jas Fleming.

THE BEST YET.

There is no preparation before the people today that commands their confidence more, or meets with a more definite success. Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry the infallible remedy for all forms of Summer Complaint.

MINNEDOSA.

The crops in this vicinity are looking well, and the prospects before the steady husbandmen are bright and cheerful. Mr. Jemison has a field of 300 acres of grain, adjoining the town, from which he expects to reap an abundant harvest.

The Rev. Mr. Halstead, of the Methodist Church, has arrived in town and expects soon to bring his family. The parsonage has been refitted and provided with all necessary furnishings.

The Dominion Day celebration day was the last thing of interest in town. The excursion from the Portage brought about 500 people, and these together with a large number from the west caused no little stir in the town between the hills.

Matrimonial market at present quiet, but quite a number of our confirmed bachelors have left town for different parts and others will follow suite.

The teachers examination is the next topic. The Rev. Mr. Wellwood, M. A., is to be the principal examiner, and is in all respects qualified for the undertaking.

PRESBYTERIANISM.

Meeting of the Brandon Presbytery—Details of the Session.

This court met in the First Presbyterian Church, Brandon, last Tuesday, at 1:30. There were present Rev. Messrs. McKellar, Todd, Robertson, Mowat, Smith, Duncan, Sutherland, McKee, Flett, McTavish, Douglas, Stalker, Campbell, ministers, and D. Lockhart, R. S. Humphries, Geo. Stewart, R. Richards, elders.

Mr. McKellar, in the absence of Mr. Bell, was appointed moderator. Mr. S. C. Murray, from the Presbytery of St. John, having presented his credentials, was received as a licentiate residing within the bounds.

The license of Mr. Alex. Robson was admitted to the Presbytery of Regina—his sphere of labor being within the bounds of that court.

The clerk was instructed to write Mr. Thompson of Virden, informing him that Mr. Sutherland was trusted with full powers in the matter of the ordination of elders and that Mr. Sutherland be instructed to complete the work intrusted to him.

Mr. Sinclair, of Carleton Place, gave an account of his work at Prince Albert. In the course of his speech he vindicated the white settlers from the charge that any of them had been implicated in the late rebellion.

A letter was read from the Rev. Mr. Bell, asking the Presbytery to recommend that a grant be made to the Portage congregation from the Manse and Church Building Fund. It was agreed to defer taking any action till the next meeting of the Presbytery in order to have more information on the subject.

It was agreed to appoint a committee to draw up a constitution for missionary organizations to carry on the work in congregations and mission fields.

The following committees were appointed for the ensuing year:—

Home Missions—Rev. Messrs. Todd, Bell, Stalker, Mowat, McKellar, Douglas, Robinson.

Foreign Missions—Rev. Messrs. McKellar, Flett, Campbell, Robinson, Douglas, ministers, and Mr. R. S. Humphries, elder.

Sabbath Schools—Rev. Messrs. Sutherland, Campbell, Mowat, McKellar, and Hodnett.

Sabbath Observance—Rev. Messrs. Stalker, Douglas, Smith, K. H. McTavish, Bell, ministers, Messrs. Grant and Stewart, elders.

State of religion—Rev. Messrs. Wellwood, McKellar, Robertson, McKee, Mowat, McTavish, ministers; and Mr. H. C. Ross, elder.

Statistics—Rev. Messrs. Todd, Robertson, McKee and Douglas.

Maintenance of theological department—Rev. Messrs. Bell, Todd, McKellar, Stalker, Wellwood, Douglas, Sutherland and Messrs. Waters, Kelmet, McKenzie, Gillis and Nichol.

Temperance—Rev. Messrs. Douglas, Duncan, Sutherland, McKellar, Stalker, ministers, and H. C. Ross, elder.

On motion of Rev. Mr. McKellar it was agreed to retain in the roll of president the name of Rev. D. McKee, formerly of Neepawa.

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. Lockhart, that the next meeting of Presbytery be held at Minnedosa on third Wednesday in September.

Rev. Mr. Cameron, formerly of Battledore, gave an account of his work there. He described in graphic terms the Indian uprising and the terrible depredations committed by them in that neighborhood

—the best part of the settlement having been totally destroyed, only the barracks and the new part of the town having been spared. He contended that the Indian uprising was in a great measure due to the character of the instructors and agents appointed by government. If the Government officials had been the right kind of men the uprising would never have taken place. In many cases their treatment of the Indians was calculated to have a most injurious effect—some of them treating the Indians like dogs—never speaking to them without an oath and paying no regard whatever to their word. The rev. gentleman remarked that it would spoil good Indians to wake them like some of the Indian Department officials who are over them and who are supposed to be civilizing them.

Mr. Robertson remarked that the settlers of Battledore had now a double claim on our sympathy, and now that the people had been impoverished they must be provided immediately with the means of grace. In this he was ardently supported by the presbytery.

Mr. Flett corroborated Mr. Cameron, maintaining that the Indian uprising was in a great measure due to the character of the Government officials.

On motion of Mr. McKellar, a unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Flett, and the other Indian missionaries for their valuable services since the commencement of the trouble.

Leave was given Mr. McKee to elect and ordain elders in his present field, and Rev. Mr. Todd and Mr. Hugh Grant were appointed an interim session.

The home mission report was then considered seriatim, and was substantially adopted. It was as follows: S. C. Murray was appointed to Neepawa.

The supply of Rapid City, Hogsfield and Cypress River were referred to the Home Mission committee.

Mr. Simpson was appointed to Roseland till the next meeting of the Presbytery. Application was made to the Synodical committee for a grant in favor of Rev. F. McKee.

Leave was given to the Home Mission committee to dispense the Communion in mission fields where there are no ordained missionaries.

A MIRAGE AT SEA.

The Strange Sight Enjoyed by Passengers on the Normandie.

While the passengers on the other steamers just outside New York harbor were fretting over the delay caused by a heavy fog when almost in port, those on the Normandie had been treated to a rare sight that put them in good humor. They had witnessed a beautiful mirage. The Normandie crept in from sea, feeling her way along and moving at quarter speed. The fog and snail's pace were far different from the beautiful weather they had experienced and the quick run across the ocean, averaging seventeen miles an hour. Everybody was on deck anxious to catch the first glimpse of land that showed through the fog-bank.

"There's a steamer," called an officer. All looked ahead, dreading that they were so closed upon it that a collision was inevitable. "It's a White Star; it must be the Republic," was the next announcement. Interest was intensified. Passengers looked first on one side, then on the other in front and behind, but they could see no sign of any vessel. The deep fall of mist that hung over the water shut off all view of the vessel, whose nearness was indicated by the fog whistles only. After most of them had given up the search attention was directed upward. There, riding gracefully on the crest of ominous-looking clouds that towered up mountain-high, they saw the black painted hull and yellow funnel of a White Star steamer. The entire rigging and appurtenance on deck stood out as clearly as though the big steamer was near by. Photographers had skill could not have made the illusion so nearly perfect, for the phantom ship vibrated as though chafing, like a chained race to be off and away. For some time the mirage was visible. The real Republic was then over a mile distant from the Normandie.

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"S'posen I was going along Seventh street, your honor, a carrying a pair of milk in one hand and two pounds of butter in the other."

"All right, prisoner. I presume the butter was official and that the milk had been watered."

"And s'posen you met a street car, and the conductor was mean and the driver drunk, and the car wouldn't give you half the street?"

"Is it customary for street cars to turn out for pedestrians?"

"And s'posen you landed on your rights, and that you had a fight with the driver, and that an officer ran you in, would you be guilty?"

"Was that your excuse for creating a row and distributing the peace?"

"Your honor, I don't allow no street car to run over me nor blind me off the track!"

"But you broke the law."

"And I don't allow no law to run over me either!"

"Prisoner, I shall fine you \$5."

"I never pay it!"

"Then you'll go up for thirty days."

"No, I won't."

He would have gone up but for his wife who paid the fine, ordered him to "shoot his old head," and hurried him all home.

The Halifax regiment received a magnificent reception at Montreal returning from the front.

Each man of the Midland Press received a silver watch with his name and N. W. Rebellon, 1885 engraved thereon, at Campbell Ford, on their return.

The Witness publishes a statement signed by seven Protestant members of the 65th battalion, was accused Col. Outram of punishing them because they refused to attend Catholic service on Corpus Christi day.

Col. Outram stated to a reporter today that the stories of Corporal Finigan, Wm. Conway and Wm. Clarke about the Edmonton misunderstanding were so absurd as to be hardly worth consideration.

About ten miles below St. Peter, near the western of Lake St. Peter, the lake at a quick run down a small white open boat which was completely in two. The boat was only observed just before the collision.

It is not known how many persons were in the boat, but immediately after the accident two figures were seen in the water going about the swimmer. They cried out, "Save us, hurry up." The steamer was immediately stopped and a lifeboat lowered, but no life could be saved. Subsequently a linen bag was picked up containing a coat, a small shirt, a pair of boots and some fishing tackle. There was nothing to indicate the name of the owners.

A special cablegram sent the issue of \$3,000,000 of five percent first mortgage bonds of the Canadian Pacific Railway by Messrs. Baring & sons, promises to be success. The principal is to be repaid in July, 1917. The minimum price of the issue is 95. The lists close today, and at Amsterdam close to-morrow. The trustees for the bondholders are Sir Chas. Tupper, Lord Wolverson and Revelstoke the two latter representing Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co. and the Burings respectively.

Robert Bourke, Under Foreign Secretary, answering inquiries in the House of Commons this afternoon, said that during May, 1884, M. Billings had offered Lord Lyons, British Ambassador at Paris, to obtain the ransom of General Gordon from El Mergh, for \$250,000. Lord Lyons forwarded the offer without comment to Earl Granville, the British Minister for Foreign Affairs. The condition of the offer was that its acceptance be accompanied by the payments of \$1,000 down.

Earl Granville, after consultation with other members of the late Government, instructed Lord Lyons that for various reasons he must decline the offer.

PLYMOUTH, July 21.—The steamer Itasca collided with the Liverpool and London steamer Cheertful in a fog. The latter foundered and 13 persons were drowned.

LONDON, July 21.—The Wesleyan Conference began its session at Newcastle today. Seven hundred clergymen are in attendance. The Conference has elected the Rev. Richard Roberts, President.

Cairo, July 21.—The Bosphore—Egyptian publishes a letter from an engineer named Bertie, who has just escaped from Barber, declaring that Mr. Oliver Pain, the alleged French adviser of El Mahdi, and who, it was recently stated had been killed by Arabs for a reward offered for his head by British officers, is not dead, but alive and well at Barber.

LONDON, July 21.—Intelligence has been received from West Africa that the King of Dahomey, with many followers, on May 10 made a raid on the villages under French protection near Porto Novo. His troops indulged in wholesale massacre of the inhabitants, and burned all their dwellings. One thousand youths and women were carried back to Dahomey to be sacrificed at the cannibalistic feasts.

DENVER, Col., July 21.—The Tribune-Republican's Trinidad special says that during a heavy rain storm this afternoon a wagon containing a man, woman and child, capsized while crossing the large bridge between that city and Elm. All were drowned.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 21.—Charles Koenig, draughtsman, and Frederick Rich, machinist, fought a duel with pistols at Marshall's Hollow, nine miles from this city, at daylight this morning. Two shots were exchanged. At the first fire Koenig's party was hit, but at the second, Koenig received a ball in the right side, inflicting a serious and possibly fatal wound. The injured man was brought to this city and his wounds dressed. Warrants have been issued for the arrest of the principals, on the charge of engaging in a duel. Jealously caused the meeting. Rich has disappeared.

END OF THE IRON AGE.

The Most Notable Discovery of the Century.

Aluminum is one of the 63 elements recognized by modern chemistry. It is a metal resembling silver in appearance, but only one fourth its weight or specific gravity. It is very malleable and ductile and can be rolled into the thinnest sheets or drawn into the finest wires. It melts at a

red heat. By hammering it becomes as hard as iron. It is highly sonorous and makes beautiful bells. Mixed with copper, in the proportion of five parts aluminum to 55 copper, it forms a metal resembling gold and is equally unaffected by the oxygen of the atmosphere. This is called aluminum-bronze, and it possesses, in addition to its remarkable property of non-corrosiveness, a tensile strength far superior even to steel. It is frequently used in the manufacture of jewelry, the very small production hitherto limiting its wider use.

Aluminum—which, by the way, is the basis of alum—was discovered by a German chemist in 1825. For thirty years it remained merely a chemical curiosity, but in 1855 a French chemist developed a method by which it could be manufactured in sufficient quantities to give it a commercial value. Still it could only be produced at great expense, and has usually been produced at the rate of about \$50 per pound. Recognizing its value to the arts it once brought down to a price permitting its common use, a very large sum has long been promised by European capitalists to any one who should find a means for producing it at a cost not exceeding \$2 per pound. This has now been done.

Within a few months Prof. Maybury, of Cleveland, in the course of some experiments, discovered a method of producing a more intense heat by the concentration of electrical currents than had ever before been known, and by the use of this electrical furnace he solved the problem of the cheaper production of aluminum. The metal abundantly in common clay, but emery or corundum is particularly rich in it, and of this mineral unlimited deposits are found in North Carolina. Following up his discoveries, Prof. Maybury found he could produce aluminum at 25 cents per pound, and the result promises a revolution in the metal business.

Brandon Weekly Mail,

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 1885.

THE STANDARD AGAIN.

The check of some newspapers is surprising. The last issue of the Rapid City Standard says: "But contempt, however, is expressed for the MAIL for its imbecile attempt to divert the line from Rapid City." Now, we simply defy either the Standard or any man in Rapid City to reproduce from the MAIL a single line showing what is asserted as a fact, that we attempted "to divert the line from Rapid City." We did everything we could publicly and privately to prevent the passage of a land grant to the line from Rapid City to Sydney, it was possible for us to do, and it was as much through correspondence from our Editor to members of the Ottawa Government, and to their friends as it was to the influence of anyone else that that scheme has been knocked on the head; but we never suggested any other impediment in the way of the Northwest Central. If the Standard and the residents of Rapid City had taken the same course, they would have a different story to tell today. We could not stand idly by without entering a protest against the construction of a road that was going to be a heavy blow at the future of Brandon, and to see lands that belong to the public taken to inflict the injury and to give facilities to a section of country that has already been provided with railways at the public expense. This is all either the MAIL or its editor did, and nothing more. If the Standard and its friends had been honest in their pretensions of good will towards Brandon, why did they not all along advocate what the Government has now consented to subsidize, a line from Brandon to that place and thence westerly, instead of the eastern outlet, the Government has forced its friends to abandon? That's a nut for the Standard to crack. Instead, however, of cracking it the Standard shouts "Bravo, Dr. Harrison has secured the road for Rapid City." We do not desire to detract one iota from the influence of Dr. Harrison, in the matter, on the contrary we want to give him all the credit he is entitled to; but at the same time we must say he did not go to Ottawa to support the scheme he and Mr. Norquay have been compelled to accept. He went to Ottawa to press the extension to Sydney, the only one that was on the boards at the time, and Mr. Norquay's telegrams were in the same direction; but when it was shown the influence of the two roads already in existence, and the protests of many influential outsiders were against that line, Dr. H. consented to accept what could be secured in its stead—a line from Brandon northward. What we desire to see now, in the extension of that line, is that the route taken is the one that will best serve the tract of country west of Rapid City and lying between the two already under way. If this occasions a diversion into the middle of Rapid City, well and good, but if it stops short of that, we say well and good also. It is always best in the location of roads, to consider the interests of villages already located, as that occasions the least sacrifice of private interests, but if villages cannot be reached with moderate deviations, a greater injury cannot be inflicted on the country than the satisfaction of village ambition. This has ever been our course in advocating railways, and if it is ever to secure the contempt of Rapid City and the "Standard," though we would prefer to have the good will of both, all we have to say is we will endeavor to live through the force of the ban.

There is everything to show that Rapid City was wedded to the Sydney outlet, and it is only necessity that makes it a virtue for the Standard to accept any other. Even in its last issue, it says, in speaking of

the results of Dr. Harrison's mission, "a railroad from Brandon is not quite so satisfactory here as if it joined the C.P.R. at Sidney." No, and because the MAIL opposed the Standard's favorite, that was going to damage Brandon, and do no good to any place but Winnipeg, this paper is said to merit Rapid City's "contempt." Pile it on, gentleman, and see if it won't rebound and settle where it originated. Again Mr. Hopper was sent to Winnipeg "to work up influence" in favor of the railway, but everybody knows it was not "to work up influence" in favor of an outlet at Brandon. No, there is everything to indicate the Brandon outlet is the last resort, and accepted by Rapid City simply because nothing else can be had. Under the circumstances then, we can bear with contempt from a medium that has no other favor to bestow.

A COMMERCIAL QUESTION.

There is a print in Winnipeg yelet "The Commercial" that considers anything it does not know is not to be known by anything mortal, and its spirit of fair play is truly on a par with its liberality towards others. In its last issue, for instance, it had to deal with the Northwest Central, and to abuse all and sundry connected with it because old route to Sidney is likely to be forsaken. If there were any local commercial interests to be sacrificed through the abandonment of that route; or even if there were even any member of important farming enterprises wronged by a change of route, we could indulge in a little sympathy for the broken heart of the print referred to, but when it is seen that the foundation for its diatribes is pure selfishness and a sense of wounded "cussedness," our grounds for charity are removed. Look at the argument for a moment ye gods and small fishes!—"that there was a necessity for the construction of a portion of it is evinced by the fact of some fifty miles being graded and ready for track laying." In other words there is a necessity for everything that is done. There was then a "necessity" for Satan's rebellion in heaven simply because he saw fit to rebel. That's one solid "Commercial" to commence with. We are next told that "to make Brandon the starting point . . . would be to leave 40 miles or so of the grading behind and valueless." That's a serious matter surely though just as sensible as the "necessity" plea, set forth above. It has never occurred to our confrere that for commercial reasons, though it passes as the only commercial authority in the country, railway companies often build short cuts and leave hundreds of miles of road practically unoperated. The short way to business is always the grand object of railway companies, and by abandoning the the Sydney route and accepting Brandon instead, the Northwest Central lessens the distance to its objective point by some thirty miles, and secures a better local business at Brandon, than it could ever hope to secure at Sydney. This is another matter "the only commercial" paper should, even though handicapped by jealousy, be able to comprehend. Brandon, we are told, could have secured a junctional point, without the abandonment of the Sydney route, but that Brandon has not seen fit to allow a road to pass its door leading business that is its legitimate due, pass on to Winnipeg, without a protest, is "one piece of injustice, and it is not unlikely that another may follow." The fact is that Brandon has refused to play second fiddle to Winnipeg, refused to accept what Winnipeg would be willing to give it, "this is the cause of the whole complaint, and because the Commercial bears with the impudence of Winnipeg's western rival with so modest a complaint is a reason for which we should all be thankful.

Brother Luxton is a comical sort of cattle fish after all. To get a pa-

per out of the way that was, every day condemning the Norquay Government against which he professes to have sworn a deadly feud, he endorsed the notes of an opponent, and took a mortgage upon the new Norquay organ, which constitutes him the virtual owner of the Manitoban. They have now the game of shuttlecock and battle door, in real earnest. Through the Free Press, Liberal Luxton one day pokes sticks at Tory Luxton in the Manitoban, and the next day Tory Luxton in the Manitoban pokes chips at "Gritty" Luxton in the Free Press. As poor George Brown used to say "the fight goes bravely on," and will eventually result in a "great triumph" for the Liberal party.

THE JUDICIAL BOARD ELECTION.

A print in this city nominally run by a white washed Tory, but actually directed by some Grit lawyers and wire pullers of the faith, has taken such exception to the election of Mr. Kirchhoff, to the seat on the Judicial Board made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Helliwell, that it has to violate every sense of respectable journalism and to crowd together a larger lot of untruths than it has been our lot to examine for many a day, in order to give vent to the fiery elements of the expiring volcano within. The proceedings through which Mr. Kirchhoff was elected are at the outset characterized as "the quintessence of the trickery and rottenness of our local Tories," although it is asserted "Mr. Smart secured in advance the pledge of a majority of the Reeves" in the district. This is a plain admission of what the most labored effort has been made to conceal throughout the rest of the article—that the Grit element being the stronger in the assumed voting power. Mr. Smart relied on its electing him, until at the last moment he and his friends found themselves outgeneraled by "the quintessence of Tory trickery"—that it is contemptible for the Tories to occasionally indulge the same tactics the Grits rely upon for success in every instance of municipal warfare. This is abject cruelty on the part of the Tories.

Let us now turn for a moment to the legal lore of the print, and look at the unqualified beauty of its contortions. The cause of the wrath lies in the fact that Mr. Sifton, Reeve of Cornwallis, was not allowed to vote for Mr. Smart; and the whole fabric of vengeance, misrepresentation, personal abuse and falsehood, all tumbled together like a wall of sand, has been labored into form in consequence. It is now admitted that "A few days before the counting of the ballots the Hon. Mr. Sifton was elected Reeve of Cornwallis . . . and he requested a ballot paper, in order that he might take part in the election," and because he did not receive it "the understrapper, i.e. the acting secretary-treasurer, in Mr. Buchan's absence, had the impertinence to refuse, because he is a Tory partisan." When this "understrapper" was persistently bored by Mr. Sifton and his proteges to violate the law, in the hon. gentleman's behalf, he asked the solicitor if his refusal to accommodate Mr. Sifton, was in order, and this is an extract from the reply he received:

Yours of this date received and upon facts presented to me . . . you acted properly and could not legally have granted the request of Mr. Sifton for a ballot.

This answer was offered to Mr. Sifton, but he refused to read it, and the opinion itself was founded on the following extract from the Judicial Boards' Act, which Mr. Sifton, had he desired to do so, could have read for himself:

"The Sec-treasurer of the Judicial Boards," in the case of vacancies, "forward ballots in the same manner as for the annual election, to Mayors and Reeves within the section . . . with a list of the Mayors and Reeves eligible for election with a request to have the ballot filled in and returned; and on the 21st day after the ballots have been so sent out, the

said ballots shall be counted &c., &c."

The Grit print itself says when the ballots were sent out there was no Reeve in the Municipality of Cornwallis, Mr. Whitehead having lost that office by continued absence from the council meetings." Whether Mr. Whitehead was or was not a Reeve in that municipality at the time of ballot mailing, Mr. Maltby had to be directed by the returns in his possession—and they showed that Mr. Whitehead was the Reeve. He had no official information to the contrary and could only be directed by what he knew. There is at least no statute that would protect him in taking his legal instructions from the Sun or even Mr. Sifton in such an emergency. There is one thing certain, that as Mr. Sifton was not a Reeve when the ballots were mailed which the Sun admits in the extract above, no ballot could have been mailed to him, and the law makes no provision for handing out ballots within twenty-one days of the counting, no matter how much the exigencies of the Grit party may desire it should be so. Will the faithful only take a note of that?

The assertion that Mr. Buchan had been at home, would have handed out ballots within the 21 days of return, is pure nonsense, as we feel confident the importunities of Messrs. Sifton & Co. would not have induced him to violate the law, no matter how much they desired him to do so. If he did in the previous elections give duplicate ballots to municipalities, they were both given to the one party, and then under the full assurance that the second ballot could not be counted. Had Mr. Sifton received one under the same conditions it could not have improved his position materially. Mr. Maltby knew well that a ballot to Mr. Sifton meant two ballots for the one municipality, as Mr. Whitehead already had one, and could have cast it had he so desired, and the law makes no municipality double-barrelled—not even one having a gentleman of Mr. Sifton's importance as a representative.

That there should be a government that makes judges out of qualified Tories, and that tolerates the continuance in office of "officials" book-keepers, and lawyers who study its provisions, and are governed by its directions is most debasing in the extreme and causes us to adopt the language of our confrere and exclaim how long ere the people will rise in their might and put down such scandalous corruption with a stern hand."

We have no doubt but that the wishes of Messrs. Sifton, the Sun & Co., are a law unto themselves, but until Mr. Greenway becomes premier and Mr. Peterson his attorney-general, "to crystallize" their pabulum into the law of the land, we know of no means by which they can be accepted by the people. The law as it reads must be accepted by aspirants as well as "understrappers," no matter what amount of heart burning and disappointment it may result in.

Mr. Greenway was very severe on political depravity at the Portage picnic. He said that for taking money as Norquay had done in the "coal steal" many a man was sent to smile behind the bars of a prison. We believe every word of it, but wherein in principle was Norquay's steal worse than that of the immaculate Greenway, when he took \$400 for a session's allowance without ever setting a foot in the parliament buildings.

CHOLERA IN SPAIN.

Dr. Harrison, M. P. P. his 300 acres of wheat this season, and all looking well.

A new school house is being erected at John Henry's tp. 14. r. 21.

The Episcopals, of Qu'Appelle station, have constructed a new church at that point.

Donald Jeffrey, near Boggy Creek, N. W. T., shot his brother Donald, on the 26th of June, and the wounded man has since died. It was the old, old story over again, fooling with a gun and "didn't

VITAL QUESTIONS.

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Sir John L. Kaye near London, is making and back to back 2,000 acres for next year's crops. He has 25 years of work.

BURLINGTON ITEMS.

All kinds of grain is promising in section of the country as wheat and barley is out in head, and oats much further advanced than this time last year.

The town of Burlington is again with pleasure seekers and business men, looking out places for business along the line of railroad now being graded to Shoal Lake, a large number of men grading within ten miles of Shoal Lake. It is the intention of the Company to have the road completed by the first of August to receive the rails. It is the intention of a couple of Ontario gentlemen (who have recently visited the place) to purchase a suitable steam yacht for pleasure resorts, to ply between Shoal Lake between railway station and north end of lake. It would doubt be a great convenience to those who visit Shoal Lake for pleasure.

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Strawberries and raspberries are very plentiful, also currants promise to be very plentiful, wild hops are in abundance. Sportsmen would find this just the place for those who are lovers of the Rod, as ducks and geese are in great quantities about the Lake. Also large game in the Biding Mountain a short distance to the north.

Beaten by fair means, in his attempt to secure a vote in the Judicial Board election, Mr. Sinton's organ has to resort to the most disreputable of tactics, to explain the defeat, to characterize those who voted for Mr. Kirchhoffler as devoid of principle. Mr. Pettit is one of the unfortunates who has drawn upon himself that organ's intense displeasure, because he did not see fit to vote for Mr. Smart. In short he is charged with having promised to vote for Mr. Smart, and with having subsequently violated that promise, when Mr. Pettit gives us the facts substantially as follows: In a day or two after Mr. Hellmwell's resignation, Mr. Peterson, in a spider to a fly fashion, got him into his office and tried to extract a pledge that he (Mr. Pettit) would vote for Mr. Smart, but the reply was unsatisfactory. On a second occasion the visit, after urgent solicitation on the part of Mr. Peterson, was repeated, and Mr. Smart was also there. After being bored for a time Mr. Pettit said, "as he was not personally acquainted with Mr. Kirchhoffler he at that time saw no reason why he should not vote for Mr. Smart." No other promise was given. He subsequently, from the tactics pursued, saw a reason why he should not vote for Mr. Smart and

he voted for Mr. Kirchhoffler. We can mention it as a matter of fact, that even when Mr. Smart had Mr. McDougall's ballot in his pocket, the most he expected in the contest was a tie, showing clearly he did not count on Mr. Pettit, as he doubtless would have done had he secured a straight unqualified promise. Even if he had secured such a promise, if Mr. Pettit saw fit to change his mind it is only contemptible journalism that would deal with the matter as the Sun has done. So confident was Mr. Hellmwell that Mr. McDougall would have voted for Mr. Kirchhoffler, that an hour before the ballots were counted, he would have wagered \$100 on it, and though we were aware of Mr. McDougall's "change of mind" before our last issue, we did not feel it our duty to make reference to the matter much less a contemptible comment. We were aware also, that there were two men who could go into a box and swear Mr. Hall promised to support Kirchhoffler, and when he did not do so we did not feel constrained to hold his name up to ridicule in consequence. No; we leave such business to the apology for a newspaper on 12th street. The acts of public men in their public capacity afford plenty of scope for the criticisms of a principled press.

STOLEN.

If the party who stole my dog, a white Tayside spaniel, with red ears and legs, and white face, also a red spot on each side and answering the name Flo, will return the same no questions will be asked, otherwise he will be prosecuted according to law.

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TOWN TOPICS

The 90th is to disband on Monday next.

Portage la Prairie debentures sell at 97½ cents on the dollar.

Dr. Harrison is to be banqueted at Rapid City on his return from Ottawa.

Mr. Pouter, a C.P.R. man, has been promoted and removed to Broadview.

Mr. Phillips is busy putting a new glass front in the American restaurant.

Gen. Grant died at Mount McGregor on the 23rd inst. He had been ill for some months, with a cancer in the stomach.

Col. Morrison, who had charge of Battleford during the siege, went east yesterday. On the same train was Capt. Wise who was wounded at Fish Creek.

The markets are not very active these times. Wheat is about 50c; oats 35; eggs and butter 12½ cents each, and potatoes a drug; hay about \$10.

Some of our farmers are now commencing to sell timothy hay, and this year the average is about two tons to the acre. Considerable of it is cut already.

Reeve Pollock, and Councillor Yeomans, of Brenda, were in the city Tuesday. They say the prospects for crops are excellent, but the country needs the extension of the Southwestern the very worst way.

Twenty-five mounted police under Inspector Saunders, went through the city easterly yesterday, bound for Southern Manitoba, to intercept horse stealing that is being indulged in to a considerable extent.

P. C. Duncan, late on our police force, was in the city the past week. He is now employed with Indian Agent McCall, east of Winnipeg, and has good prospects before him.

Ted, Douglas, a son of the Major, of Rapid City, was unfortunate enough to receive a compound fracture of one of his legs the other day, but is recovering under the treatment of Dr. Cornell.

Some cattle belonging to George Brown, of Oak River, were recently driven to a pound kept by Chas. F. Hright, for damage to property owned by Mr. Elliott. Brown took them forcibly from the pound, and was fined \$16.21 for his trouble.

There were about 300 people at the Temperance picnic at Chater, Friday last. Games and amusements were indulged in to a considerable extent, but the down come of pure water, of which the temperance people are especially fond, cut off the speaking.

Sergt. Lake, of the N.W. Mounted Police, passed through for Stoney Mountain on Monday, having in charge five of Big Bear's braves. Four of the number were sentenced to six years each, for complicity in the rebellion, and one for 14 years, for complicity and for burning a mill besides.

Miss Davidson met with quite a tumble on Rosser avenue, last Friday while out on horseback with J. T. Kennedy. It appears her horse became unmanageable, and a tumble, fortunately attended with no serious results, was the consequence. When he saw her falling, Kennedy made an effort to assist her, but his stirrup broke, and he landed in the dust also.

Mr. James Blackhall has just returned from the west, and is in a position to speak of the prospect of crops. He says they are the representation of everything that could be desired as far west as Whitewood, but from that out he thinks they must be a failure—the straw is short and the general appearance unsatisfactory.

The Conservatives of Brenda have formed an association with the following officers: Jos. Cheny, Pres.; W. Higgins, vice-pres.; and Robert Livingston, Secretary. There is to be a general meeting of the representatives at Wakopa on the 3rd of August, to re-organize the constitution, and get matters into proper shape.

A very successful musical social, in aid of the Presbyterian aid fund, was held at the residence of Messrs. Campbell and Crossley, on Tuesday

night. There were three instrumentalists present, and the enjoyment was kept up to a late hour.

B. Laughlin, time-keeper at the C.P.R. round house, joined fortunes with Miss Bennett, on Monday, and now the twain are one.

The regular meeting of the W.C.T.U. will be held at their coffee rooms, on Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Hartney, the great wheat grower, was in the city yesterday, and says barley cutting will commence within a week in his locality.

A musical and literary entertainment under the auspices of the W.C.T.U., will be given on Tuesday evening, Aug. 11.

Mr. G. Craig, late of the Portage, has purchased the bankrupt stock of Jerry Robinson, in this city, and is on the list as a competitor for business. From an acquaintance covering ten years, we can assure our readers one and all that Mr. Craig is a reliable pushing business man, and will employ every effort to be up to representations in every case.

The school difficulty is now practically at an end. The Board of Trustees retain Miss Nicholl's salary as at present, and make a ten per cent. reduction on all the others. Mr. Hughes was one of the most active in securing a like treatment for all, and the measure was only carried by the casting vote of Chairman Clement. We do not think any of the teachers were getting too much, but when retrenchment was decided on, it was only fair all the teachers should be used alike, when all are considered equally efficient in their respective departments.

M. Mansell and Bushell, had a peculiar entanglement on their own account recently. Bushell let Mansell have a horse on trial the latter was thinking of buying, and on this a dispute arose, which ended in fifty cuffs. Bushell contended it was an assault and took out a warrant, but Mansell said it was a ring contest of six rounds, according to the improved rules of Tom Sayers. The horse was taken back in the interval by Bushell, and put in Wheelton's care where it was stolen and taken to McIntosh's barn for keeping, and Bushell had to foot the stable bill. The assault case was, however, taken no further than the entrance, as Bushell wanted the presence of his wife to sustain his case which was not available, and the entire structure collapsed for the want of prosecution.

A curious case came before John C. Todd, J.P., in this city the other day. It appears that Henry Cook and John Thos. Cook, father and son respectively, who reside in the neighborhood of Plum Creek, had had a difficulty, and the services of a J.P. were required to adjust it. Sometime ago young Cook left his father and hired out, the father telling him he could do so, as he had rented his farm and did not want the young man's services. The boy in due course earned \$100 and bought a horse, giving his notes for \$97 with his father's endorsement for the balance. Shortly after the son hired out again, and got a horse from his father to put with his own to draw flour to Brandon. In a short time again he returned his father's horse and took his own and kept it in Trotter's stable in this city. The father thought the earnings of the flour carriage were to pay the notes, but the son retained them. The father then took out a search warrant found the son's horse and took it home, hence the action of the son. The J.P. ruled that as the son was under age all the property belonged to the father, though many of the spectators felt the son was wronged by the decision.

Last evening there was a novel entertainment in the Royal Roller rink. Some of the roller experts had a race with others on bicycles, but we have not heard of the results.

THE RINK.

The following were the costumes at the Brandon Rink, on Monday evening.

Mrs. Tamblin, Court lady time of Louis Quatorze; Jessie Lee, Flower Girl; Nellie Thorne, Highland Lassie; Miss Merrill, Eas. India Queen; Miss Brownlee, Daughter of the regiment; Bella Smith, Fairy Queen; B. Pilling, French Pheasant; Lillie English, Sun Flower; Agnes Shore, Night; Miss B. Hope, Milkmaid; Mr. Frank Mitchell, Sergeant; C. Hauman, French Clown; Harry Deyall, Sailor; Frank Shupe, High-

land Landre; Frank Tamblin, Clown; W. J. Halpin, Rafferty O'Laughlin; Stewart Durand, Flora McFlimsey; J. Shore, Darkey.

Miss Brownlee, and Miss Lee, took first and second prizes respectively, and among the gentlemen Messrs. Halpin and Shupe, were equally successful in their order.

A NEW PLOW.

Since Monday the street leading to Mr. Heilwell's farm, to the southwest of the agricultural grounds, has been pretty well measured by a large number of our citizens, to witness the operations of a steam plow, invented by Mr. Inghton and manufactured by the Valcon Iron Works. For a machine to do such peculiar work the contrivance is very simple, and simplicity is one of the advantages of machinery, as it leaves less to get out of order and fewer pieces to get out of use from wear. The engine and boiler, in principle are not many removes in construction from the ordinary thrashing engine, except in that they are larger and stronger, have immense driving wheels on either side, and have wheeled machinery in front, by which the whole construction is steered like a steamboat on the water. Immediately behind the boiler and very conveniently attached is a large contrivance in principle like the straw carrier of a thrashing machine, to which are fixed six plows at equal distances from one another, about the width of a furrow out line one another. As the engine moves along at very slow rate, the carrier machine moves around taking with it the plows, which on reaching the ground strike the soil, and turn a furrow the length of the apron, or about 30 feet, and thus one after another as the apron revolves, the sods are turned the machine plowing about two rods with each course of the engine. As a matter of fact the field must be clear of stones and level, for it will be readily seen a plow on a tight apron cannot lower and raise to meet inequalities on the surface of the ground in its course. On clear level ground, however, the machine does very creditable work, and will with a little more improvement, we hesitate not to say, work an entire revolution in the farming operations of the country. As the machine will cost about \$5,000 every farmer of course, cannot afford one, but as it will plow from 20 to 25 acres per day in ten hours the owner can do the work of many farms by the acre, and thus save the farmer the expense of feeding teams through the winter for a short season's work. The fuel and water for the engine are easily carried in a wagon drawn behind. A half ton of coal runs the engine for ten hours, and two men are enough to operate it, the cost of its day's work does not exceed say \$2.00, barring, of course, interest on money and the probable loss in breakages. Of course there are different ideas as to the eventual success of the machine, but as there have been doubting Peters in all ages of the world, we may readily expect them in this. All, however, were satisfied with the work, and the general impression of the spectators is that it must eventually become the plow for the Canadian Northwest.

Bob Watson wrote the promoters of the Portage Grit picnic that he regretted his inability to be with them at the feed, as he had to remain at Ottawa to watch the interests of the Northwest Central, when the fact of the matter is friends of the country, or Tories, if you will, had government insurance the land grant would be given from Brandon, long before Bob wrote. Instead, however, of doing the watching, he left Ottawa some days before the close of the House to visit his wife's friends at Wingham. Bob's veracity, ability and politics appear to be made of the same material. After all the railway aid has been secured without the influence of "Manitoba's only representative." Bob would rather, in his inmost soul, the grant had never been made, as then he would be able, in the disaffected districts, to build up the more offences against the Tory Government.

Dr. Harrison, of Minnedosa, on his way from Ottawa, called at the MAIL Office on Monday last. The Doctor has ever been the faithful friend of his constituency and of western Manitoba, for that matter, and richly deserves the popularity of which he has the acknowledgements, on every hand. He says that while at the capital, Mr. Hesson, M.P., father of our customs collector, was unremitting in his efforts to secure the terminus of the Northwest Central for Brandon, Mr. A. W. Ross and the Hon. J. Royal also rendered him valuable assistance in his mission. He is confident the work will be commenced at once, and that a distance, at least the connection between this place and Rapid City, will be in operation before the autumn frosts have fully set in.

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